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**Waipuna Halswell-Hornby-Riccarton Community  
Board Information Session/Workshop  
MINUTES ATTACHMENTS**

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**Date:** Thursday 1 May 2025  
**Time:** 4.01 pm  
**Venue:** Rārākau: Riccarton Centre,  
199 Clarence Street, Christchurch

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# ChristchurchNZ

Economic Development Agency

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# Agenda

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| 01 | Why does ChristchurchNZ exist / what do we do? |
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## ChristchurchNZ

- A council controlled organisation (CCO) and a public benefit entity
- 7 years since formation
- Independent board, 7 directors including 2 Councillor directors
- 75 permanent staff with a total headcount of 86 (including contractors)
- Office located Cashel St, BNZ Centre, Central City (includes sub tenants)
- Letter of expectation provided annually by Council
- Statement of Intent outlining objectives, nature and scope of activity, and performance measures developed annually



## ChristchurchNZ Purpose

ChristchurchNZ is the city's **economic development agency**, responsible for delivering sustainable economic growth for Ōtautahi Christchurch on behalf of Christchurch City Council.

ChristchurchNZ plays a crucial role in helping the Council deliver on its undertakings for a **prosperous economy** and **liveable city**, which is clearly reflected in our refined strategic outcomes:



PRODUCTIVITY



LIVEABILITY



ATTRACTIVENESS

# Community Impact 23/24



Christchurch's GDP was increased by around **\$5.50** for every Council dollar



OVER  
**\$2.3M**  
VALUE



of central government or private sector funding secured into economic development activities

**\$48.9M**



ESTIMATED BUSINESS EVENT ATTENDEE SPEND

► 65 city bids submitted to attract business events to Christchurch with 26,270 delegates



**5,318**

NUMBER OF  
DOWNLOADS

using city narrative assets to tell the Christchurch story



**745+**

BUSINESSES accessing support, mentors & advice



**43**

START-UP  
COMPANIES

being actively supported to grow innovation and entrepreneurship capability

TRADE AGENTS  
AND INVESTORS  
HOSTED IN  
THE CITY

**94**



**6,093**

PEOPLE ACTIVELY  
engaging with CNZ  
economic insights







## An integrated approach





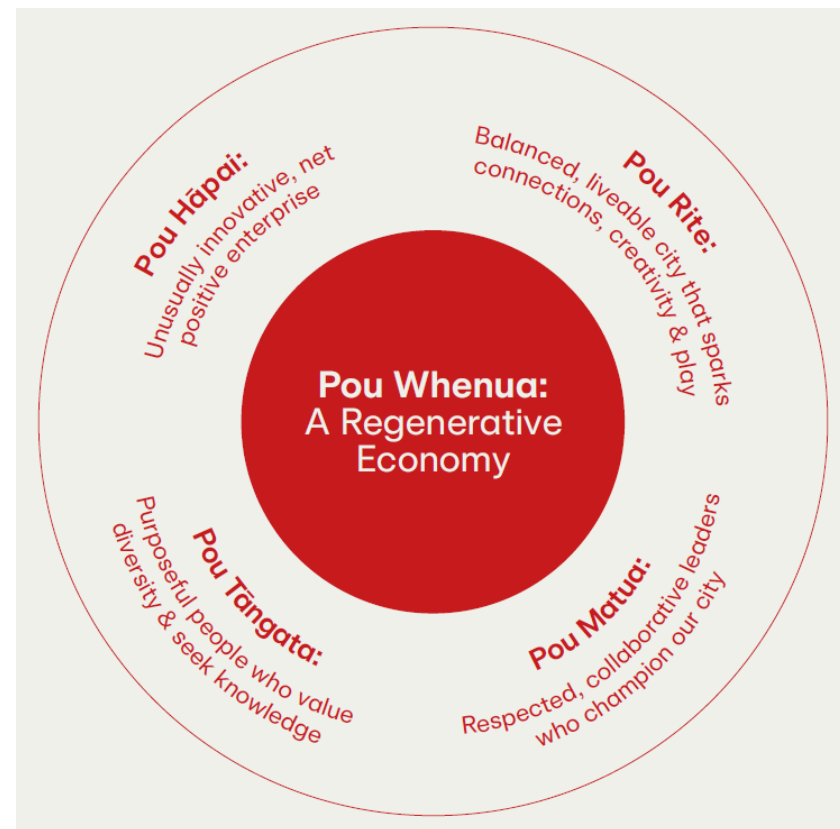
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# Christchurch Economic Ambition

## Our long-term vision and goals for the future

**Pou Whenua, a regenerative economy**, is our North Star. We will not reach it, or achieve all our goals, in one generation. But it is the direction that we must travel to provide an economic future that is not only viable, but better for our people and planet.



# Why?

A future that is good for people and the planet is a future that is good for business.

Global markets have reached a tipping point where thinking about our environmental and social future has become mainstream. Today, environmental social responsibility is no longer a 'nice to have' and it is less risky to lead than to fall behind.

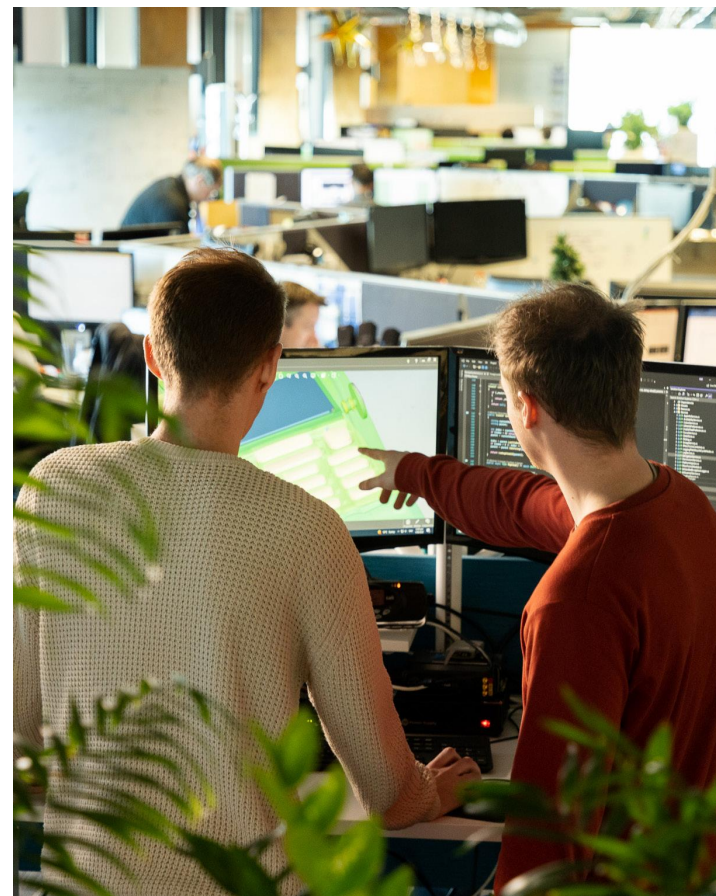
**Better bottom line**

**Add value**

**Attract capital**

**Meet export market expectations**

**Attract and retain talent**





## Four goals underpin our Ambition:

### **POU HĀPAI** (*win:win, making profit out of doing good*)

Enterprises whose ambition defies size. These businesses make best use of global tools, and combine them with local innovation, resources and connections to raise productivity, reduce emissions and waste, and positively impact on people and the environment.

### **POU RITE** (*working with, not against nature*)

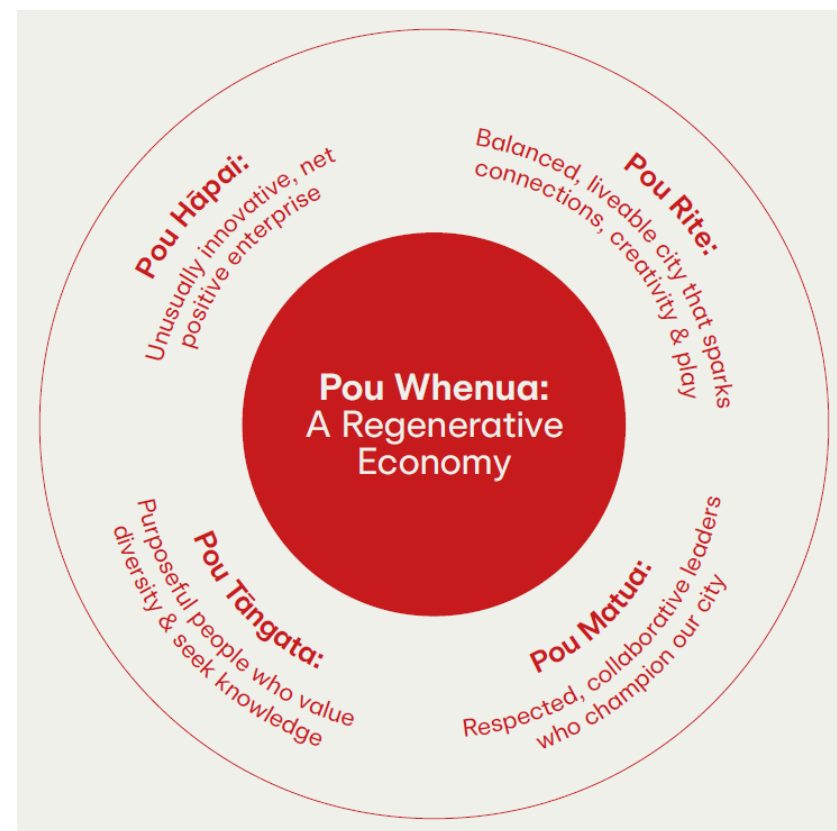
Our city balances the needs of people and nature. It is liveable and loveable, boasting acclaimed and accessible: central city, creative spaces, distinctive neighbourhoods and assets that catalyse connections, innovation and play. It supports people and businesses by developing and managing our resources in a way that proactively advances climate resilience and net positive transformation.

### **POU MATUA** (*systemic change, solving complex problems*)

Our government, industry, cultural and societal leaders have strong relationships and work together to promote and advocate for our city, honour Te Tiriti o Waitangi, champion positive change, and utilise the benefits of our small city and nation to catalyse big ideas and impact.

### **POU TĀNGATA** (*socially just, economically inclusive*)

As a city of people who care, we offer jobs with purpose, provide equal opportunities for work and education, to seek knowledge, and give people the space and time to take their downtime to new heights.



# Who's already on board?

ChristchurchNZ is the custodian and champion of the economic ambition. However, no single organisation will be solely responsible for delivery of the priorities. Delivery will be achieved through collaborative action by the private sector and partner organisations.

The following organisations have already endorsed the Ambition:



## Supported by systemic change

“Christchurch’s new Economic Ambition sets out a great plan for supporting our city’s economy in ways that are good for business, people, and the environment.

I’ve run businesses in Christchurch and know that this is a great place to do business, and I love seeing my kids picking up the reins. But things have changed since I started out and we need to keep changing with it, whether that is because of climate change, international politics or new technology.

As the economic powerhouse of the South Island, we’re ambitious about the future and driving the changes we need to see so future generations continue to be able to live, work, play and invest in Christchurch.”

— Christchurch Mayor Phil Mauer





# City Identity

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# The Evidence Base

We heard from a lot of people

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION	COMMUNITY CONSULTATION	VISITOR RESEARCH	BENCHMARK COMPARISON
<p><b>50+</b> one:one interviews</p> <p>In-person group interviews with <b>42</b> external stakeholders in tourism, sports, business &amp; culture</p> <p>Trends &amp; Audience workshops</p> <p>Stakeholder survey</p>	<p><b>Hundreds</b> of comments on the community social boards</p> <p><b>4,400</b> survey respondents across Christchurch City, Banks Peninsula, Akaroa, Ashburton, Selwyn, Lyttelton, Waimakariri</p>	<p>Almost <b>10,000</b> survey respondents from New Zealand, Australia and beyond</p>	<p>Compared Christchurch to <b>13</b> other cities across <b>40</b> metrics:</p> <p>Auckland, Vancouver, Adelaide, Reykjavik, Belfast, Wellington, Gothenburg, Cork, Halifax, Tauranga, Anchorage, Hobart and Dunedin</p>

# Some of the Key Insights



We love Ōtautahi  
Christchurch



We are "the best  
place to be a Kiwi"



We punch above  
our weight



Business is  
in our DNA



We are not a night time  
entertainment hub



We can be a  
"destination"



We are a new city  
not "post quake"



"Harmony between  
people and nature."

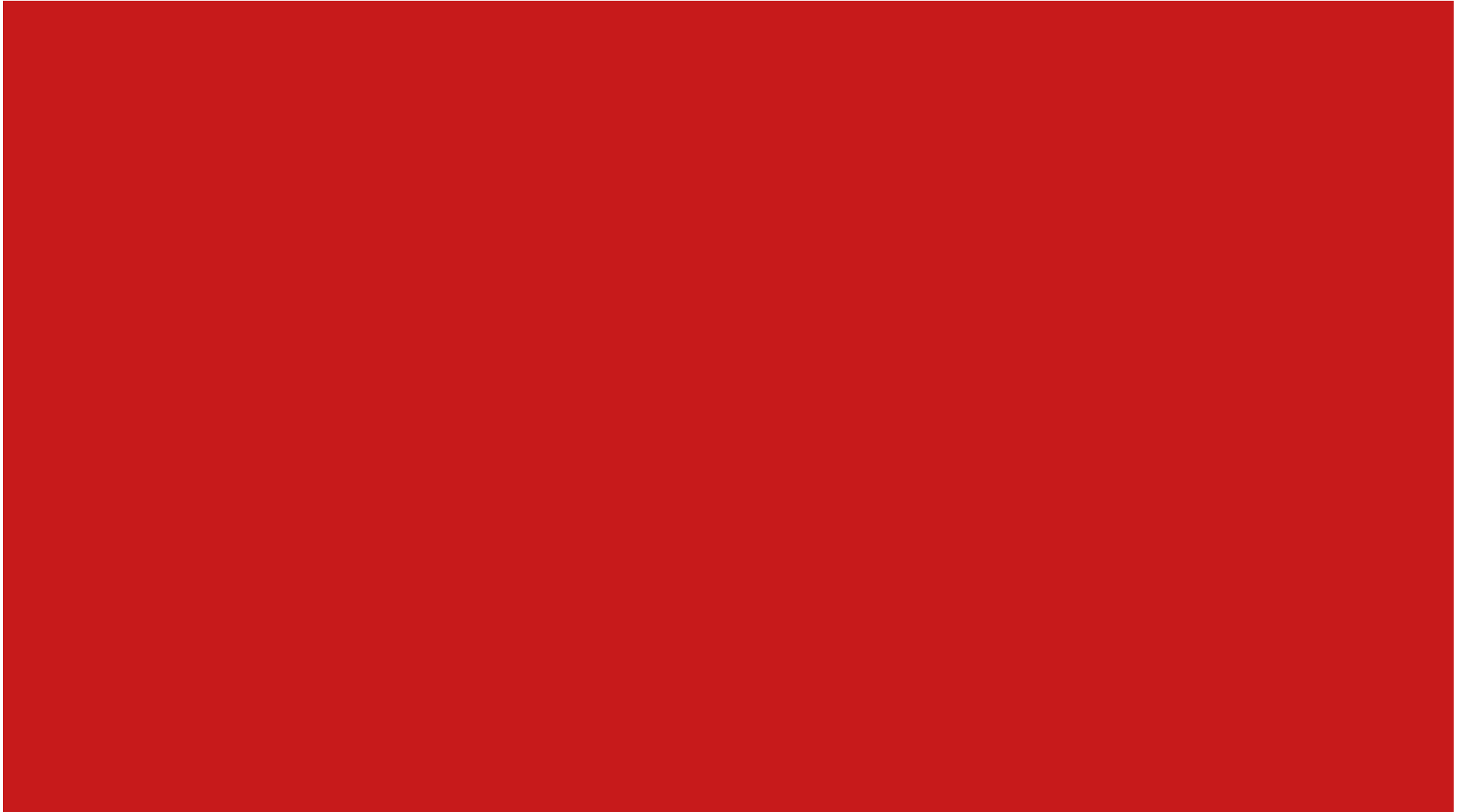
We call that  
b a l a n c e

"A garden city is a way to capture the primary  
benefits of the countryside and the city while  
avoiding the disadvantages presented by both"

*Ebenezer Howard 1898*

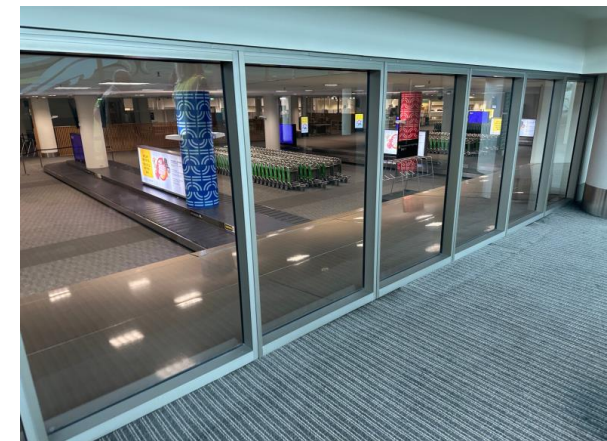
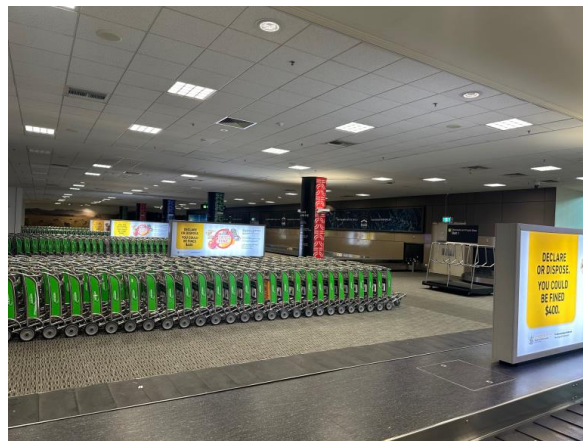
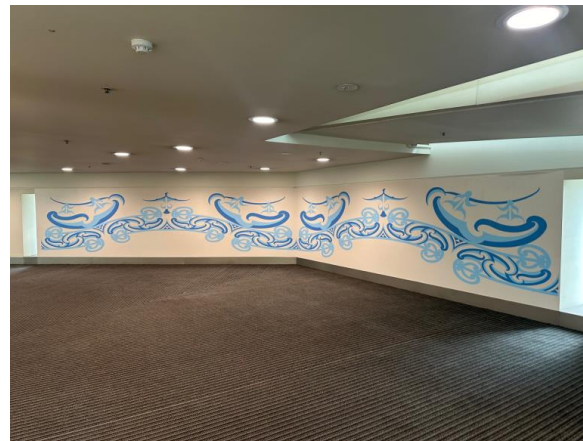


**Christchurch**  
believes in balance

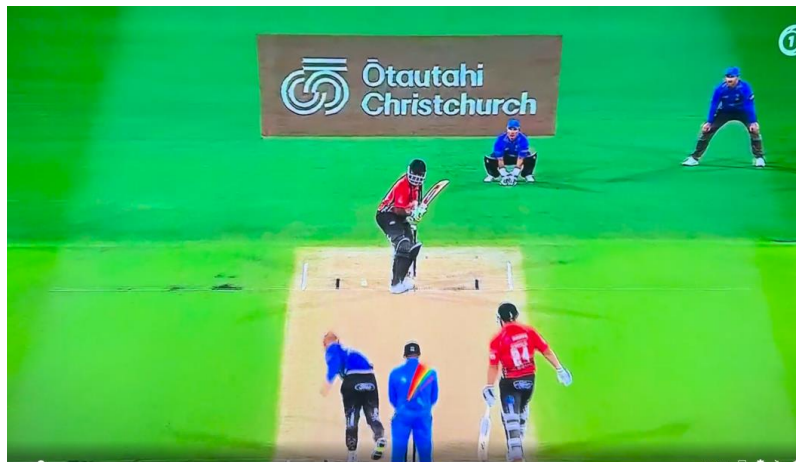




## Christchurch Airport International Arrivals



## Other Examples









# Thank you



City Brand



Economic Ambition

# South West Dog Park

*Community Board Project Update*  
*1 May 2025*

*Katelyn Elley & Megan Carpenter*

## Background

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The Community Board Plan 2023-25, identified a fenced dog park as a priority for the ward.

The Community Board requested that funding in the current LTP be moved forward, and that staff investigate and report back to the board appropriate sites.

Several community requests for a fenced dog park in the South West of Christchurch have also been received.

*There are no fenced areas in the south-west of the city where dog owners can exercise their dogs off-leash in a dedicated space that allows dogs to socialise and play in a safe and controlled environment.*

*-Waipuna Halswell-Hornby-Riccarton  
Community Board Plan 2023-25*

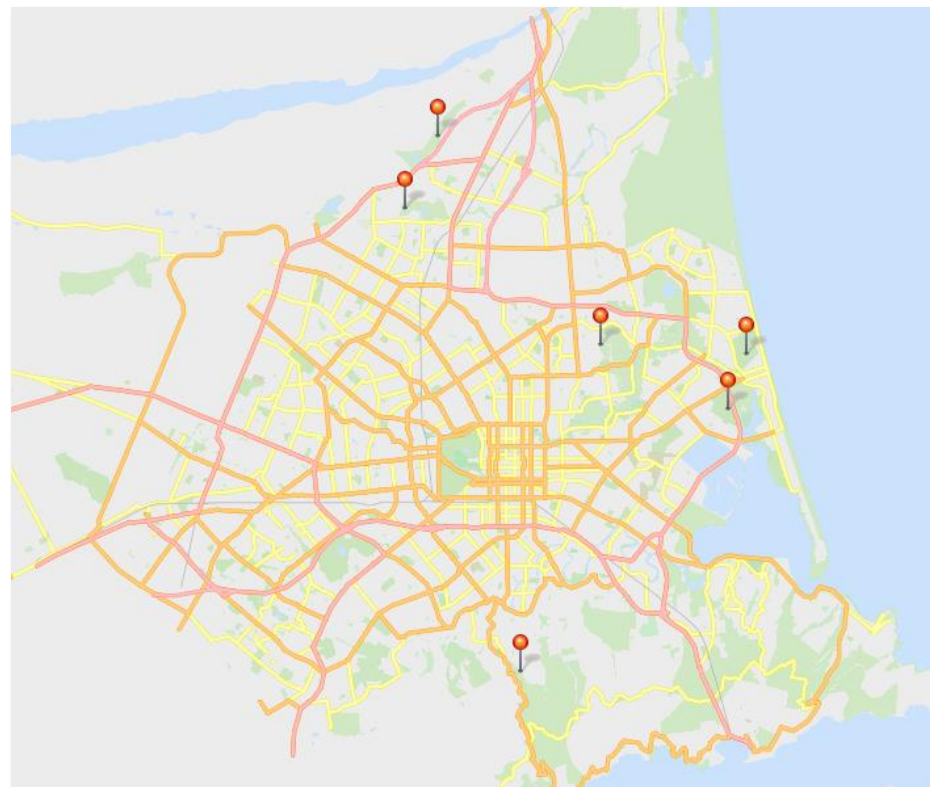
## Process to date



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## Current Dog Parks

- Bexley Reserve Dog Park
- The Groynes Gog Park
- Horseshoe Lake Dog Park
- Rawhiti Domain Dog Park
- Styx Mill Reserve Dog Park
- Victoria Park Dog Park



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## Current Issues

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- There are current gaps in provision of dog parks in the South-West, South- East areas of Christchurch as well as the Central City.
- Urban growth in the South-West of Christchurch has increased the demand for dog park facilities.

# Site Selection

- All parks and reserves located in the Waipuna Halswell-Hornby-Riccarton ward over 5000m<sup>2</sup> were investigated through a high-level parks planning process.
- A shortlist of four potential sites were assessed against a set of criteria.
- A preferred site was selected.

Preferred Site	Alternative site 1	Alternative site 2	Alternative site 3
Carr’s Reserve	Te Kuru	F W Delamain Park	Globe Bay Reserve



## Preferred Site – Carrs Reserve

- Carrs Reserve is located at 92 Carrs Road, Halswell, south of the Southern Motorway.
- The Reserve is approximately 67,000m<sup>2</sup> and was previously used by Canterbury Greyhounds, who has relinquished their lease, and the land now sits vacant.



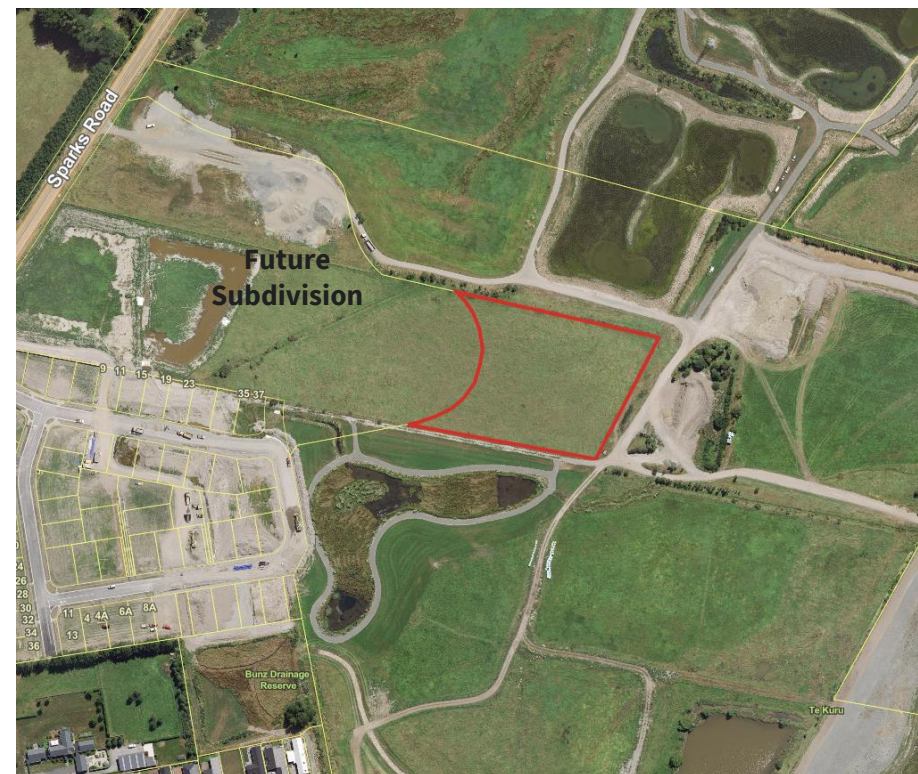
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## Carrs Reserve cont.

Pro's	Con's
Large site (67,000m <sup>2</sup> ) able to accommodate multiple activities, including agility training features and carpark.  There is also space to consider a native forest patch, lizard relocation site, and potential recreational and neighbourhood park facilities.	Known archaeology site.
Located adjacent to a residential area and with strong connectivity to major arterial roads, the site is easily accessible for residents from Halswell, Wigram and Hornby.	Contaminated site, former landfill – consenting requirements and costs.
Opportunity to revitalize a vacant site.	Known presence of lizards – Wildlife Act compliance.
The site features diverse topography, which, after appropriate clearing, can provide definition for different activity zones.	

## Alternative Sites –Part of 376 Sparks Road (Te Kuru)

- Part of 376 Sparks Road, Halswell, is located on the boundary of Te Kuru Wetland, with shared recreational paths for pedestrians and cyclists.
- The site is approximately 10,240m<sup>2</sup>. A future subdivision is planned on the adjacent site.



## Te Kuru cont.

Pro's	Con's
Good connectivity to surrounding residential areas.	Flat low-lying site, as it is with the District Plan Flood Management area no additional fill can be added unless resource consent is obtained
Opportunity to revitalize a currently vacant site and further activate Te Kuru Wetland.	Limited car parking / opportunity to develop carpark.
	Archaeological risk unknown



## Alternative Sites – F W Delamain Park

- F W Delamain Park is located, on 1 F W Delamain Drive, Yaldhurst.
- The site is approximately 35,000m<sup>2</sup>



## FW Delamain Park cont.

Pro's	Con's
Co-located with other recreation facilities including, tennis court, neighbourhood playground, basketball half-court and seating.	Known HAIL site –further investigations would be required
Proposed Urban Forest Patch	Additional carparking required
	Majority flat site
	Would take away existing open space

## Alternative Sites – Globe Bay Reserve

- Globe Bay Reserve is located on Globe Bay Drive, Templeton.
- The site is approximately 33,800m<sup>2</sup>



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## Globe Bay Reserve cont.

Pro's	Con's
Good co-location with Templeton Domain and community centre nearby servicing sport, play and recreation	No existing carpark
Good connectivity to major arterial road	Flat site
Proposed Urban Forest Patch	Would take away existing open space

## Next Steps

- If the Board are in support, staff can further investigate the preferred site and develop a landscape plan.
- Community Engagement – informing and inviting the community to provide their feedback on the proposed site and landscape plan.
- When community engagement has been completed, staff will submit a report to the Community Board for the approval of the landscape plan.



# Halswell Quarry Park Dog Exercise Area Proposed Improvements

Draft Concept Plan

## Background – Halswell Quarry Park Dog Exercise Area

- Seen a significant increase in visitor numbers.
- Been subject to several conflicts due to the parks growing popularity. Dogs are frequently getting lost and running around the picnic areas and off-lead dogs are running rampant around the park.
- Due to the complex layout, Animal Control are finding it very difficult to monitor.
- Animal control have had 70 dog related incidents reported within Halswell Quarry Park since November 2018, however noted that this does not accurately reflect the situation.
- There have also been several requests from the community to better manage dog use in the area.



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## Draft Concept Plan

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The proposed improvements include:

- Fencing of two dog exercise areas (funded.)
- Walking path around the perimeter of the dog exercise area (unfunded - to be staged over two years as funds become available.)
- Removal of the horse arena. Horses no longer visit the park as there is no space for horse floats, the local paddocks are now new houses, and the park is simply too big to add a large animal into the equation.
- Development of the lower paddock into a kahikatea forest. Planting to be staged over several years. (Funded from existing regional parks and urban forest capital budgets.)
- Extension of existing accessible track around the bottom of the park to complete a 2km loop to cater for people of all abilities (unfunded) .

The items that are funded are covered under exiting regional parks budget and those that are unfunded will need to source funding through the next Long-Term Plan.





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## Next Steps

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- Community Engagement to inform and invite the community to provide their feedback on the concept plan.
- When community engagement has been completed, staff will submit a report to the Community Board for the approval of the concept plan.

# Thank you

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